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TAGS:OVIP (MASAOKA, MIKE)
SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF MIKE MASAOKA

FROM EA/J

1. WASHINGTON LAWYER AND FORMER PRESIDENT, JAPANESE-AMERICAN CITIZENS' LEAGUE, MIKE MASAOKA PLANS TRIP TO JAPAN AND POSSIBLY KOREA. HE WILL BE IN TOKYO APRIL 6-13 STAYING AT IMPERIAL HOTE, IN OSAKA APRIL 13-17, BACK TO TOKYO APRIL 17-21, AND THEN POSSIBLY TO SEOUL FOR A FEW DAYS.

2. MASAOKA PLANS MEET WITH OLD FRIENDS IN TOKYO, INCLUDING SOME TOP POLITICAL LEADERS AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. WE ANTICIPATE HE WILL BE DISCUSSING EMPEROR'S VISIT FROM VIEW-POINT OF JAPANESE AMERICANS AMONG OTHER TOPICS.

3. ALTHOUGH MASAOKA HAS REQUESTED NO EMBASSY ASSISTANCE

HE WILL GET IN TOUCH WITH EMBASSY AND HOPES MEET WITH SHOE-SMITH, PETREE AND OTHER DURING TOKYO PORTION OF VISIT. HE IS DISCREET, KNOWLEDGEABLE, LONG TIME FRIEND OF DEPARTMENT. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY APPROPRIATE COURTESIES EMBASSY
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